MEMORANDUM July 15, 1976

TO: BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM: Robert T. Kenney, Director

SUBJECT: BOARD OF APPEAL REFERRALS

Hearing: 7/27/76

Petition No. Z-3616

Massachusetts Society for the
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
350 South Huntington Avenue,
Jamaica Plain
at Bynner Street

Animal hospital complex - residential (R-.5) district.

Purpose: to install concrete pad, above-ground 1250-gallon liquid oxygen storage tank, 35 medical gas tanks, 8-foot-high fence.

Violations:

Section 8-7. Liquid oxygen and medical gas tanks are forbidden in an R-.5 district.

Section 19-6. No structure over five feet in height may be erected within the required front yard.

Storage facility would be used in connection with the hospital and would be enclosed with an eight-foot-high chain link fence within the complex. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-3616, brought by the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, 350 South Huntington Avenue, Jamaica Plain, for a forbidden use and a variance to install liquid oxygen and medical gas tanks and to erect an eight-foot-high fence in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided proposed storage facility complies with all City and State safety regulations



Hearing: 8/3/76

Petition No. Z-3619 Zdaislaw Marecki 570 Adams Street, Dorchester near Mallet Street

Required Proposed

Two-story frame structure - residential (R-.5) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from two- to three-family dwelling.

Section 8-7.	Any dwelling converted for more families which does not meet the requirement for lot area is forbidden in an R5 district.		
Section 14-1.	Lot area is insufficient.	2 acres	7,740 sf
Section 14-3.	Lot width is insufficient.	200 ft.	64 ft.
Section 14-4.	Street frontage is insufficient.	200 ft.	64 ft.

Units are existing and consistent with the two- and three-family residential character of the neighborhood. Recommend approval provided Building Code Standards for light and air are met.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3619, brought by Zdaislaw Marecki, 570
Adams Street, Dorchester, for a forbidden use and three variances for a change of occupancy from two- to three-family dwelling in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided Building Code Standards for light and air are met. Units are consistent with the two- and three-family residential character of the neighborhood.



Hearing: 8/3/76

Petition No. Z-3620 Clyde Ann Battle Nelson 24-26 Almont Street, Mattappan near Blue Hill Avenue

2½-story structure - single family (S-.5) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from two-family dwelling to two-family

dwelling and beauty shop.

Violations:

Section 8-7. A beauty shop is forbidden in an S-.5 district.

Section 9-2. A change in a nonconforming use requires Board of Appeal

hearing.

Site immediately abuts the Almont Street Park. Petitioner would use part of the basement for the facility. Proposal is reasonable; there is adequate space for parking. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3620, brought by Clyde Ann Battle Nelson, 24-26 Almont Street, Mattapan, for a forbidden use and a change in a nonconforming use for a change of occupancy from two-family dwelling to two-family dwelling and beauty shop in a single-family (S-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Proposal is reasonable;

adequate parking space is available.



Hearing: 7/27/76

Petition No. Z-3628 William J. Curley 458-460 Western Avenue, Brighton near Kelley Court

One-story masonry structure - light manufacturing (M-1) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from restaurant lounge without entertainment to restaurant lounge with entertainment; to extend restaurant facilities into basement.

Violation:

Required Proposed

Section 23-2. Off-street parking is insufficient.

12 spaces

Small lot (4,137 sf) prohibits any additional parking. However, petitioner must provide facilities on a nearby lot to satisfy code requirements. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3628, brought by William J. Curley, 458-460 Western Avenue, Brighton, for a variance to extend restaurant facilities into basement of existing facility in a manufacturing (M-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval only if petitioner acquires space, through purchase or lease, to provide required off-street parking.



Hearing: 8/3/76

Petition No. Z-3636
B. W. Foods, Inc.
1435 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury at Spring Street

One-story structure (to be demolished) - local business (L-.5) district.

Purpose: to erect one-story masonry structure - Burger King Restaurant.

Violation:

Required Proposed

Section 8-7. A restaurant is conditional in an L-.5 district.

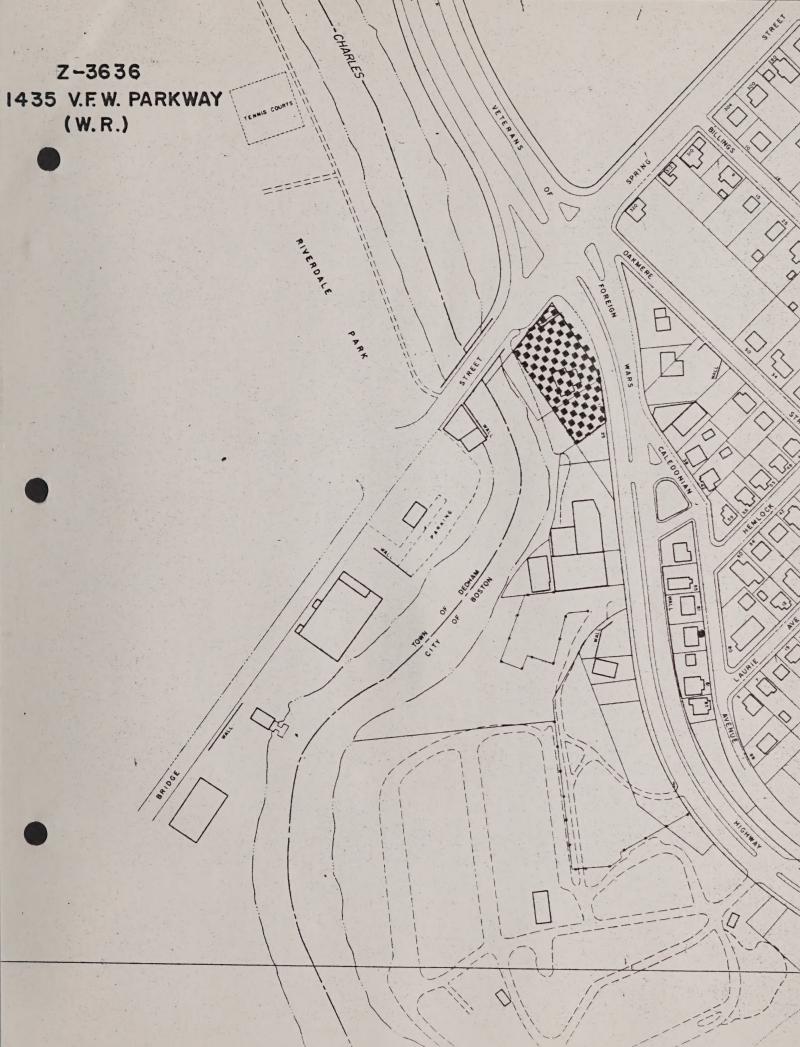
Section 18-1. Front yard is insufficient.

15 ft. 4 ft.

Facility, which would replace a similar type restaurant (Howdy's) would not be contrary to existing commercial uses in the area. Violation is technical (light poles in front yard). Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3636, brought by B. W. Foods, Inc., 1435 V.F.W. Parkway, West Roxbury, for a conditional use and a variance to erect a one-story restaurant structure in a local business (L-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following conditions: that vehicles enter only at north driveway and exit only at south driveway; that directional signs be provided indicating the one-way traffic flow; that plans, including refuse disposal, be submitted to the Authority for design review.



Hearing: 7/27/76

Petition No. Z-3637 Hertz Equipment Rental Corporation 33 Island Street, Roxbury at Reading Street

One-story metal structure - manufacturing (M-2) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from storage to rental and maintenance

of contractor's vehicles.

Violation:

Section 8-7. A rental agency storing, servicing and/or washing rental

motor vehicles is conditional in an M-2 district.

Petitioner has occupied premises for several years. Use would be consistent with this industrial area. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3637, brought by Hertz Equipment Rental Corporation, 33 Island Street, Roxbury, for a conditional use for a change of occupancy from storage to rental and maintenance of contractor's vehicles in a manufacturing (M-2) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Use would be consistent with this industrial area.



Hearing: 7/27/76

Petition No. Z-3639
Merchants Cooperative Bank
350 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brighton
at Englewood Avenue

One-story structure (to be demolished) - apartment (H-2) and local business (L-1) districts.

Purpose: to erect one-story bank structure with drive-in window.

Violation:

Section 8-7. A drive-in bank is forbidden in an H-2 district and conditional in an L-1 district.

Bank will replace deteriorated, vacant former dry cleaning structure. Drive-in facility would aggravate existing traffic conditions. Internal circulation is inadequate and would adversely affect abutting residential properties. Recommend approval of bank use and denial of drive-in facility.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-3639, brought by the Merchants Cooperative Bank, 350 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brighton, for a forbidden use and a conditional use to erect a one-story bank structure with drive-in window in apartment (H-2) and local business (L-1) districts, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval of the bank use and denial of the drive-in facility. Existing traffic conditions would be aggravated. Internal circulation is inadequate and would adversely affect abutting residential properties.



Hearing: 8/3/76

Petition No. Z-3642 Capitol Bank and Trust Company Hawkins Street Trust Manuel Wyner and Allen Gordon, Trustees 1 Bulfinch Place and 30 Hawkins Street, Boston

Five-story structure - Government Center Urban Renewal Area - general business (B-8) district.

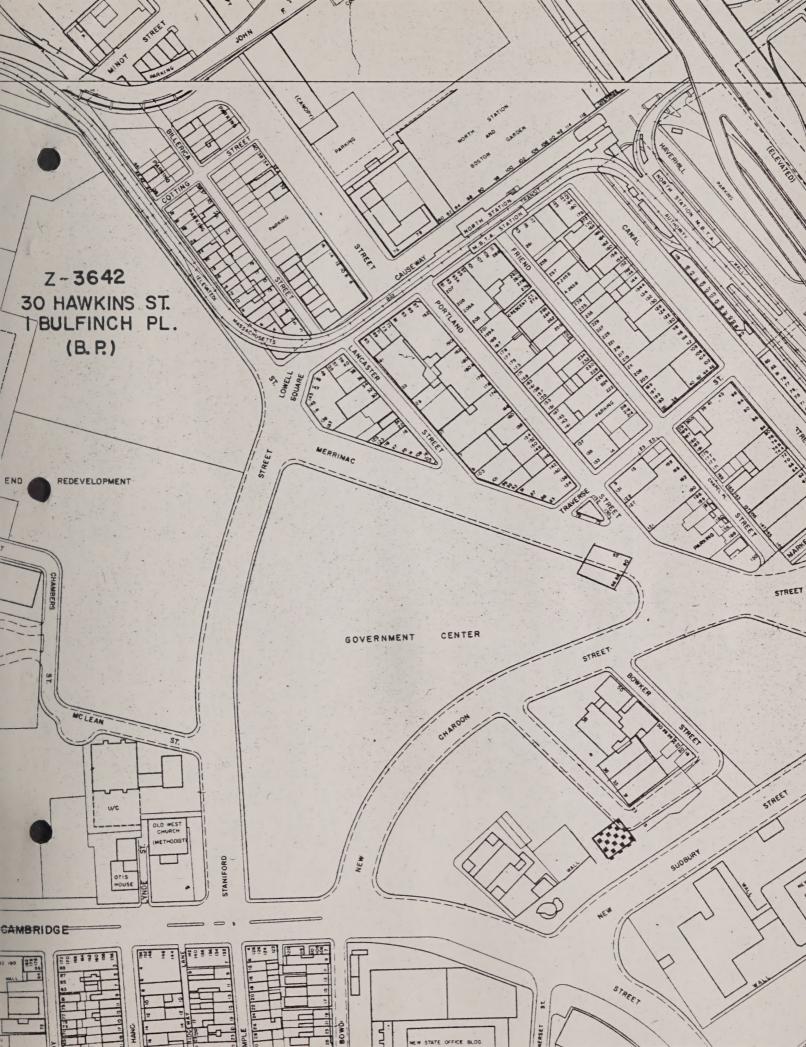
Purpose: to change occupancy from bank, retail stores, and offices to bank, retail stores, offices, and restaurant (McDonald's).

Violation:

Section 8-7. Sale over the counter of on-premises-prepared food or drink for off-premises consumption or for on-premises consumption if, as so sold, such food or drink is ready for take-out, is conditional in a B-8 district.

Restaurant use is allowed by the Urban Renewal Plan for this Government Center Parcel 2-H. Facility would occupy space which has been vacant for several years. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-3642, brought by Capitol Bank and Trust Company and Hawkins Street Trust, l Bulfinch Place and 30 Hawkins Street in the Government Center Urban Renewal Area, for a conditional use for a change of occupancy from bank, retail stores, and offices to bank, retail stores, offices, and restaurant in a general business (B-8) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following provisos: that petitioner emphasize to customers that vehicular traffic and parking is prohibited on Bulfinch Place; that plans, inclusive of maintenance, litter control, trash receptacles, be submitted to the Authority for design review.



Hearing: 8/3/76

Petition No. Z-3643
Paul D. Slater (owner)
Northeastern University
464 Huntington Avenue, Roxbury
near Parker Street

Five-story structure - apartment (H-2) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from 36 apartments to university dormitory.

Violations:

Section 8-7. A dormitory not on the same lot as, but accessory to, a university, is conditional in an H-2 district.

Proposed occupancy for student quarters is in accordance with master plan and community objectives that building be preserved and rehabilitated for residential use. Recommend approval.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-3643, brought by Paul D. Slater and Northeastern University, 464 Huntington Avenue, in the Fenway Urban Renewal Area, for a conditional use and a variance for a change of occupancy from 36 apartments to University dormitory in an apartment (H-2) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Proposed occupancy for student quarters is in accordance with master plan and community objectives that building be preserved and rehabilitated for residential use.

